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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

1.	Submi	mission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114					
		Previo	Previously submitted				
			Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously				
filed o	n @@.	(Any ui	nentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).				
			Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously				
filed o	n @@.						
			Other: @@.				
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		\boxtimes	Preliminary Amendment				
		\boxtimes	Declaration of Dr. Greg Hardee/Ching-Leou Teng				
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\boxtimes	Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
\boxtimes	Other: PTO Form 1449 and three References

2. Miscellaneous

		Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37
C.F.R.	§1.103	c) for a period of @@ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed three (3)
months	s; Fee u	nder 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required)

Other:

3. Fees: The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

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TOTAL CLAIMS	42	40 (20 MINIMUM)	2	\$9 EACH	\$18	\$18 EACH	\$
INDEP. CLAIMS	3	3 (3 MINIMUM)	0	\$40 EACH	\$0	\$80 EACH	\$
FIRST PR	ESENTATION OF	\$135	\$0	\$270	\$		
☐ ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME				\$55	\$0	\$110	\$
	MONTH EXTENSI	\$195	\$0	\$390	\$		
☐ THREE	MONTH EXTEN	\$445	\$0	\$890	\$		
□ FOUR	MONTH EXTENS	\$690	\$0	\$1390	\$		
□ FIVE M	ONTH EXTENSI	\$945	\$0	\$1890	\$		
☐ LESS ANY EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID				minus	(\$0)	minus	(\$)
☐ TERMINAL DISCLAIMER				\$55	\$0	\$110	\$
OTHER FEE OR SURCHARGE AS FOLLOWS: RCE Fee (Small Entity)				\$355	\$355	\$710	
	TOTAL I		\$373.00		\$		

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	Petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of @@ to and through @@ comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of @@ month(s).
	The Commissioner is hereby requested to grant an extension of time for the appropriate length of time, should one be necessary, in connection with this filing or any future filing submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-identified application during
	the pendency of this application. The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any fees related to any such extension of time to deposit account 23-3050. This sheet is provided in duplicate.
\boxtimes	Any additional patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R.

SHOULD ANY DEFICIENCIES APPEAR with respect to this application, including deficiencies in payment of fees, missing parts of the application or otherwise, the United States Patent and Trademark Office is respectfully requested to promptly notify the undersigned.

§§1.136 and 1.17.

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